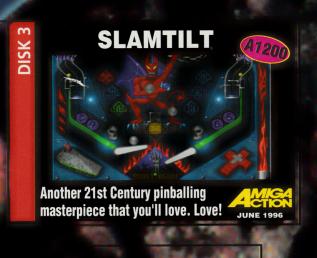




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# **News & Previews**

Oooooooh good heavens yesss! This is what we like. Games. Good games. Good games which are coming out. Not only is the long-awaited Legends a definite go-er, but The Chaos Engine 2 is shaping up very nicely too! And - and! - to top it all off, we have the first Amiga screenshots of Championship Manager 2. Which isn't exactly the review we promised, but. . . well, you know. Plus! Starsky and Hutch



# **Features**

# Son of Boggit p27

The time is running out for your entries in the utterly fabulous **What Does The Boggit Look Like** competition. We've had one drawing already, so you're really up against it! This month, SOB hammers about in his usual fashion, whilst not really solving any problems



# **Game Guides**

# **Valhalla** p18

We haven't used this for about three months, so it's about time it got another airing. Hey - there'll be people out there who lap this up, just you mark our words. They love it!



# Simon the Sorcerer Part one p20

Embark with us upon a magical journey into a world where sorcerers live, and, um, lads called Simon sometimes go



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Skinner & Baddiel's **Fantasy Football** League

Once again we've beaten off the Once again we've beaten off the opposition to bring you the finest in full gamery. Laugh along with the Skinster, and indeed the Badster, as they do little more than lend their names to this football management game. It's a full commercial product in every sense of the word, and therefore worth buying the mag for alone Ruy it Ruy it! alone. Buy it! Buy it!

Slamtilt (A1200)
21st Century's latest and greatest
(allegedly) pinball game yet hits the
Amiga, and therefore hits the readers of Amiga Action first. Show off your slamming and, ah, tilting skills in this monster demo which is surely worth buying the magazine for alone. Etcetera

Hello. Every month in the coverdisk intro we heap superlatives upon the treats which we have in store for you. Sometimes with justification, and sometimes because we want to trick you into thinking the demos are better than they actually are so that you'll buy the magazine and our jobs will remain secure. This month is different though, and, like the proverbial boy who cried wolf, once again we stand proud and shout thus: "THE COVERDISKS THIS MONTH ARE REAM **AND INCLUDE A TWO DISK FULL GAME** SPECTACULAR!". Skinner and Baddiel's fabulous **Fantasy Manager is** absolutely huge - so huge in fact that its bulk has been crammed onto not one, but two disks. And hey! - you'll know where the space went when you play it. We imagine. On top of that, because we know you like it, we bring you Sweden's latest pinballing spectacular, in the shape of the A1200 only Slamtilt. We could

# Commercial Product:

# **Amiga Action** All Amigas, mostly

Ignore the disk labels! Oh yes, because the title of this game is not Fantasy Football League at all. No, that's our mistake, and we apologise. We became dreadfully confused, and what we should have put, of course, was Fantasy Manager . It's the game advertised of course, with David Baddiel and Frank Skinner, like on the telly and all that, but the name is Fantasy Manager. Fantasy. Manager. F.a.n.t.a - well, you get the picture.

It's a football management game with a difference though pretty self-explanatory nonetheless - and caters for up to 15 players . If you want to play alone then you can choose to compete against 5-14 computer teams of varying degrees of intelligence, buying and selling players for your squad with the aim of amassing a huge amount of points each week. Money, whilst not particularly tight, is certainly not unlimited, so you'll need to think carefully before you begin selecting your squad from scratch.

In quirky fashion, it's keyboard-driven – the cursor keys switch between the icons, which are selected by pressing the enter key. Everything else is explained in helpful captions as the game progresses, so frankly you're away.

Oh, and forget that bit where it says 'Anco' as well. It's ours now. Thank you.

# 21st Century A1200/4000

21st Century's penchant for Swedish developers continues with this, its - what is it now? - fourth?, fifth? Amiga pinball simulation. Gone are the days of the boys at Digital Illusions and their Gothenburg hi-jinx with the ladies. It's time for new Swedes Liquid Dezign to step into the fray, cringeworthy zed and all.

And we're mighty glad they did, because Slamtilt is tremendous. Your demo is a time-restricted 'do' on the Ace of Space table. Blessed with more balls than Robert the Bruce, your time's up in five minutes, though obviously you can reload the demo as often as you damn well like. Nothing on the table is restricted, and for that short, sweet period of time, you can play Ace of Space as if you owned the whole thing. Which of course you don't. Not unless you bought it, at any rate, though we recommend you do.

Control, as you'd expect, is simple, and works something like this: return = send ball; left and right Alt = flippers; left and right Amiga keys = tilt; Help key = hires full table mode, Esc = quit; hammering at your Amiga with a stick also = quit. But in a more permanent fashion. And that's it. No witty end, just 'That's it'.

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and besides, we've run

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# LEGENDS

We've done this preview before, but it was so long ago that those who read it the first time are probably all dead by now.

STEVE McNALLY, our very own wrinkled and incontinent pensioner, is proud to announce that Legends is finally about to put in an appearance down your local game store

ome 20 issues have passed since we originally previewed Legends from Krisalis, and at the time I said it was looking so good that I was finding it difficult to wait for its release. Of course, as you all know, the Amiga then entered a somewhat turbulent period of its history, and all major releases were put on the backburner while publishers waited to see what developed.

Christmas '94 came and went and, unsurprisingly, the early part of the year didn't see the expected release of this Zelda-esque RPG. Neither did the middle or indeed the later part of the year, and to be honest, we stopped thinking about it, and gave up ringing round asking when it was coming out. Then, out of the blue, we received a phone call informing us that the game was now in the hands of Amiga stalwart Guildhall, and would be on sale in about a month!

For more detailed information on what the game's all about, you'll need to hunt through your collection of old mags. Way back in Issue 64, you'll find a lovely three-page feature telling you everything you could ever want to know about Legends.

There's no point in us retreading old ground, because I'm sure we haven't

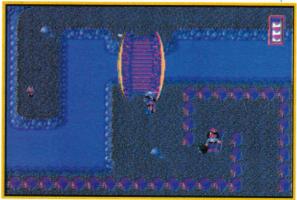


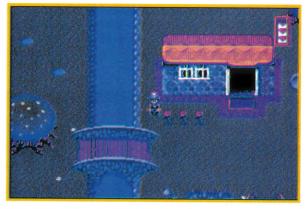
attracted thousands of new readers over the last 12 months. We're relying on you to do your own research on this one.

However, we thought you'd like a little reminder of what the game looks like, and we're sure you'll get just as

excited about it as we have. We're guaranteed a full review next issue, and if it's as good as we think, we may well have to dust off the trusty old Amiga Action Accolade award. For the first time in about a year, we may just have a cause to use it!



















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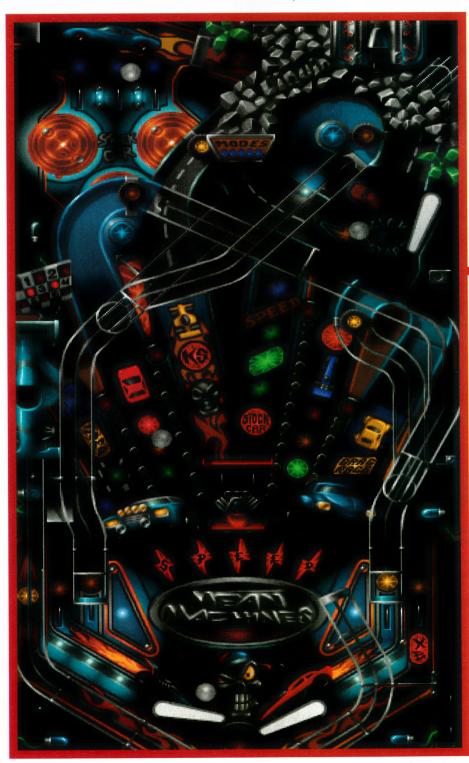
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# **ACTION REVIEW**

BALL



# Pinball master 21st **Century never seems** to tire of new tables released under a



# different name. Sadly, the same can't be said for STEVE McNALLY

wo or three years ago, Pinball Illusions and Pinball Fantasies set the Amiga games world on fire. Highly addictive, these two titles were probably played for more hours up and down the country than all the other games of the period put together. I suppose you can't blame 21st Century for sticking to what it's good at, and maybe cashing in a bit with, say, one more game, but Slam Tilt is little more than the latest in a long line of similar efforts.

# **Mean Machines**

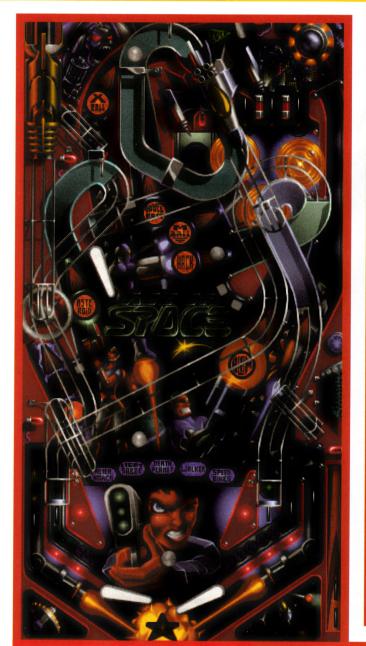
There are four tables, one of which is Mean Machines. A major gripe I have, and indeed the only one if you ignore the fact that so many similar games have gone before, is that all the tables seem to be lacking a little character, at least when compared to earlier pinball titles.

Pinball Fantasies' Partyland table is the office favourite, and nothing in Slamtilt has done anything to change that opinion. Mean Machines is a bit moody. It's dark and sinister, and just isn't as appealing as the jaunty Partyland.

This product contributes complex bonuses and special modes to the genre, making it a fair bit more realistic than other offerings. Mean Machines features five modes that are entered by hitting a specified sequence of bumpers and lights. Thankfully, the manual is the most comprehensive yet seen, with detailed explanations of exactly how to score the major bonuses and enter modes such as multi-ball etc.

In this case, the different modes are Chicken Race, Monster Truck, Liquid Rally Race, Formula One Race and Offroad Race. These all sound quite exciting, but unfortunately they're not all that varied. They do provide an enjoyable break in play, though, and getting to see all of them ensures a long term goal.

# ACTION REVIEW





After the initial retching at the thought of a pinball table based on a variation of the Swedish Abba wannabes, or even worse the Don Bluth game of the same name, it's an upward path for this one. One of the most personalitypacked tables, and also one of the most complicated, it has all sorts of multi-balls and modes to keep you playing for quite some time.

There are striking similarities to Star Wars, in the form of Light Sabre Mode and Speed Bikes Mode, and if you've ever played any of the real pinball machines, such as Lethal Weapon 3, you'll be familiar with the way that some of the bonus games are played entirely in the score panel. For instance, in Death Planet Mode, you have to fly your ship through six of the Death Star's inner tunnels, in a bid to reach its centre, where the primary power core is located. For each level you complete, you get a multi-million point bonus, and if you manage to actually blow up the planet, you'll be given an extra ball as well.



# **Night of** Demons

The Night of Demons table is very striking to look at, and has the features we've all come to expect, But by the time you get around to loading it up, chances are you'll be totally bored with the whole product.

It's not that Slamtilt is a bad game, in fact if you haven't had the pleasure of playing a 21st Century pinball game before, you're in for a treat. However, as a reviewer who's sat through four or five them over the years, it's difficult to remain enthusiastic about what is essentially four new tables in the series, albeit with a few extra knobs bolted on for good measure. Newcomers will love it, but old hands may be starting to find the style a little dated. And we've still got Pirates to come. . .



# **Pirates**

The first thing that'll strike you about the Pirates table is the distinctly un-piratey looking bloke at the bottom of the table. Perhaps they were originally going to do a superhero table or something, because this non-swashbuckler certainly doesn't exactly invoke childhood memories of jolly old Captain Pugwash and his pals.

Anyway, Pirates also has its fair share of 'modes', namely Walk the Plank, Swordfight, Treasure Dive, Monkey Business, Shark Attack and Knife Throwing. It also makes good use of the multi-ball feature, with a number of different multi-ball bonus games, including a final mode - Treasure Island. Pirates is actually quite enjoyable, and is possibly the best table in the package. It is the one that will get the majority of players hooked.

# THE LOW-DOWN

**PUBLISHER** 21st Century **CONTACT** 01235 851533 **HD INSTALLABLE** No **PRICE** £29.99

GRAPHICS	83%
SOUND	78%
PLAYABILITY	88%
DIFFICULTY	VARIABIF

've really tried to get enthusiastic about Slamtilt, but let's face it, we've seen it all before haven't we. Several times. I know before haven't we. Several times. I know it's difficult to improve on the formula, because the Amiga is just not capable of the fantastic 3D trickery the programmers of games like Tilt have squeezed out of the PC and PlayStation, and you have to take that into account, I suppose. All things considered, this is an essential purchase for people new to the genre, but past players shouldn't really bother.

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# ACTION REVIEW REVISITED

RETURNS



# TRACKSU **MANAGER 2**

Remember when almost everything got a release on the two Amiga formats? Ah, those were the days. Prepare, readers, to relive that time with PAUL ROUNDELL

ast month I took a look at the AGA version of Tracksuit Manager. I found it to be slightly flawed, but not to the extent where it actually spoiled the generally good gameplay. As a result, it received 80 per cent. A500 owners will be pleased to know that this version isn't actually all that different, save for the lack of authentic foreign teams in the European tournaments.

Now, perhaps I'm the world's unluckiest computer football management game reviewer, but I couldn't help noticing something quite annoying this time around. In fact, not just annoying, but downright unacceptable.

With the A1200

version, I mentioned that, playing as Preston, I began life in Division Two of the Endsleigh League, which is of course wrong, because Preston are in the third. Not for long, admittedly, but that's another story. I could have chosen any team, but my Dad supports Preston and my neighbour plays for them, so Preston it was, and I found a fault.

This time, I played as Burnley. Again, it could have been anyone, but Burnley are one of the closest teams to my home, and besides. production monkey Neil's a fanatical supporter, and never stops bleating on about 'Inchy's Claret and Blue Army'. Which is pathetic, but again, beside the point. So, Burnley it was.

Again I was pitched into the Second Division - this time correctly - and again I gritted my teeth as the pre-season friendlies and the Charity Shield (none of which I was involved in) came around. Each time I had to wait for the game information to be collated and loaded, despite the fact I wasn't taking part. To be fair, I decided that this wasn't

really a problem. It's annoying for someone like me who's reviewed the game twice and loaded new games on numerous occasions. but most of you will only sit through it once, so what the hell.

Actually, I was pleasantly surprised. Playing previously, as Preston, I had been forced to select a valid team before each set of friendlies, and the Chaz Shield (again, none of

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which I played in). With Burnley, I didn't, and the aggravation was reduced. And then I found out why. Oddly, at the club information screen, the team highlighted at the bottom was named as Bescot Stadium. Now Bescot Stadium is the

home of Walsall. It is not a football team. Intrigued, I clicked for information, only to find the info screen bare. A bug. A careless one, but certainly not fatal to the game overall. I could just as easily click on the 'small' Burnley which was lumped in with all the other teams. So I did, and everything seemed well.

I clicked on the calendar in the manager's office until the first day of the season came around. There are games today, I was informed by some on-screen text. Indeed there are, I thought, and I'm about to select a magnificent team from my squad. I clicked.

And waited.

And found myself back in the manager's office. So I clicked on the Begin Match icon again. Nothing. Right. Er, click on the calendar. . . click, click, click. There are matches today. Indeed. Deja vu, to be sure. Click. Wait. Manager's office. Hmm.

And then, a thought. Clicking on the league table icon, I discovered that Burnley were currently just above mid-table, having won





and drawn their first two matches. Matches that I hadn't picked a team for, or been involved with in any way. A bug. A careless one, and one which is absolutely fatal to the game, because it deems it unplayable, as Burnley at least.

Rebooting, I tried my hand as Sunderland, and everything was fine. The truth is, I don't have the time to play as every team in the game, checking whether bugs render it completely unplayable, and frankly, I shouldn't have to, because that's someone else's job.

This is a flaw that I hadn't found in the A1200 version, but I have since learned from Neil (who played as Burnley) that he experienced exactly the same thing. Maybe it's just Burnley, or maybe it's a handful of teams, or maybe even more. Whatever, it's very, very poor, and A1200 owners should also be aware. . .

# THE LOW-DOWN

**PUBLISHER** Alternative **CONTACT** 01977 797777 HD INSTALLABLE No

124.33		
GRAPHICS	80%	
SOUND	50%	
PLAYABILITY	55%	
DIFFICULTY	Variable	

ast month, simple mistakes robbed this game of an exceptional mark. Now, with the discovery this month of further, more serious flaws, Tracksuit Manager 2 is, sadly, relegated to the second division of football management simulations. It's playable for the most part, but the elementary bugs should have been ironed out long before now.

OVERALL







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# Giving The Gam

Valhalla

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n the first room, pick up the key, look under the dodgy floor tile and pick up the map. Go down and to the left and then pick up the gold coin. Go down as far as you can, then left and pick up the silver key which you find. Then go right into a large room and pick up the Talisman of Life.

Now go up and you should find a door that the gold key opens. Pick up the gold key that you find in this room. Look around until you find a door that this new key opens, and look under the dodgy tile in the bottom right hand corner of the room to find another map.

Go back to the room where you found



the Talisman of Life and flick the lever at the bottom. This opens the door next to the lever. You will need to use the second map that you found to move around this room safely. Once in the room, pick up the chest key and the grey crystal from the stool. Then flick the lever at the bottom of the room before leaving.

Go up and to the right, and you should find that another door is now open. Enter the room, pick up the stick and look under the dodgy tile to find a gold ring. Put the gold coin in the wishing well and pick up the gem which you are given in return.

Go back to the room where you started and place the gold ring on the Identity Stone. Pick up the parchment and read it. Take the parchment to the room of the first map and place it on the Altar of Justice. Now take the Symbol of Justice

Leave the room and place the symbol next to the skull which asks "What is your quest?". The door next to this skull should now open. Enter the

passageway, pick up the bottle of strength potion, the chest key and the crown at the right of the room. Flick the lever, then leave the room and go back the way you came.

Go to the throne room and put the crown on the throne. Pick up the Warrior's Shield which you are then given and leave the room. Use one of the chest keys to open the chest in the room of the skull that wants wine, and take the withered rose.

Go to the room

where you found the crowns and enter the passageway to the right. Place the gem on the stone thing which appears behind you and it will disappear. Pick up the piece of wood and place the withered rose in the

the withered rose in Water of Life, and retrieve the flower which magically appears.

Go back to the throne room and give the flower to the skull that says "Do you love me?". The door at the bottom right of this room should now open for you.

Now go to the room of the second map and use the chest key to open the chest which is there. Then pick up the bottle of Cold Protection and the chest key. Now go to the room below the one where you started. Use the piece of wood in your inventory to cross the chasm and open the chest with the



Take the golden chalice and the gem and go to the throne room. Place the chalice on the drain underneath the tap and press

the tap and press the button next to the drain. The chalice should now fill up with water. Pick the chalice up again and then take it to the second map

Put the chalice on the Miracle Stone and hey presto! the water turns into wine.

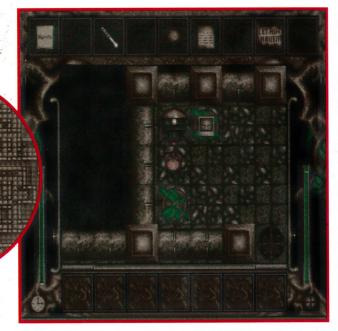
Then go to the room of the skull who wants wine and give him the chalice. Take the Rubber Sole potion from the skull and then go to the Bloodstone room where the large boulder blocks the passage.

Drink the strength potion and pick up the boulder, then enter the passageway. Now drink the Rubber Soles solution and walk left through the three electricity fields. Place the stick in the lever slot at the end of the passageway, then flick the lever to open the door.

Walk through this open doorway and take the Warrior's Sword from the tomb in the large room at the bottom of the passageway. Place the shield on the Warrior's Tomb and then the electricity fields will be magically demobilised.

Go back to the Bloodstone and place the sword on it, then pick it up again and give it to the skull who wants blood. A door to the left of the skull should now open. Go through this door, pick up the







chest key and flick the lever. Now go through the newly opened door and pick up the gem. Use the chest key to open the chest in the large room and pick up the silver key and candle.

Use the silver key to open the door at the end of the electricity field passageway and enter the room. Give the Talisman of Light to the skull at the bottom left of the room and a door at the top of the room will open. Enter this room and pick up the credit card. Place the grey crystal on the Stone of Two Colours and pick it up when it has turned yellow.

Go to the Warrior's Tomb room and use the credit card on the PSB machine. A door should now open.

Go through the door, pick up the rock and the chest key. Place the Cold Protection potion on the place where the chest key was, and it should change into a Fire Protection potion. Go to the room of the Eye of the Beholder (above the electricity field passageway) and place a gem on the passageway blocker which appears behind you. Drink the Fire Protection potion and pick up the eye. Put the eye in the Water of Beauty -Beauty is in the Eye of the Beholder, geddit? - and pick up the green crystal which appears.

# **Jugs and chests**

Now go to the first map room and open the chest with the chest key. Pick up the Jug of Infinity and the piece of coal. Fill the Jug of Infinity with water in the throne room and put the coal in the Crystal Flame in the second map room.

Take the crystal you are given to the room of the Warrior's Tomb and give it to the guardian. Now walk past the guardian, put the candle on the fire stone and pick it up again once it is lit.

Flick the lever, then go back to the room with the chasm. Place the candles next to each other and the chest above them should open. Take the red crystal from the chest, give it to the red-eyed guardian and take the Orb Key which he was protecting. Now go to the greeneyed guardian, giving him the green crystal and taking the Orb Key which he was protecting.

Go to the chasm room and cross the chasm. Pick up the piece of wood behind you and go through the door to the left of the room. Pick up the gem and the gold symbol, then cross the new chasm by using the piece of wood again.

## **Blocked passage**

Go to the throne room and through the door on the right. Flick the lever at the end of the passageway then go through the open door. Pick up the gold symbol then flick the switch. Go back through the passageway, then go up and place a gem on the arrow thing which is blocking the

Go to the Eye of the Beholder room and place the gold symbols on the appropriate altars. Now go through the open door, look under the floor in the top right of the room and take the dagger. Then place the Jug of Infinity on the Infinity Stone and, surprise surprise, you will be given the Gem of Infinity.

Go to the skull who wants a password and look at the Gem of Infinity in your inventory. The door next to the skull should now open.

Go through the door, take the stick, and place the dagger on the war memorial. Take the poppy to the skull which wants remembrance and take and read the parchment which you are given. Go to the Eye of the Beholder room and use the stick on the lever. Flick the lever and go through the door at the top of the room.

Go through the door and use your last gem on the arrow blocker that appears behind you. Put the rock on the stool at

the top of the room and then go through the open door you find on your left. Give the yellow crystal to the guardian and take the Orb Key.

Now go to the Altar of Sadness, place the parchment on it and take the Spheres of Loyalty. Then go to the second map room, put the Spheres of Loyalty in the Water of Hope, and take the blue crystal. Give this crystal to the blue-eyed guardian and then take the Orb Key.

Go to the main guardian room, put the Key Orbs on the altars, taking the compass directions into account, and watch the altars disappear. Give the Gem of Infinity to the guardian and then walk past him until you are told that you have reached the end of level one. Hurrah!

We hope that you found this guide useful, and that you'll be keen to join us next month, when we'll be bringing you a full walkthrough guide to Level Two of Valhalla and the Lord of Infinity.





# Giving The Gam

# PART TWO

# Here comes part two of our much requested walkthrough guide to **Simon the Sorcerer**



ffer the guard the beer voucher, then return to the dragon cave. Use the hook on the boulder outside the cave entrance and climb it. Now use the rope with the magnet, then use the rope and magnet with the hole until you can't get any more gold. (You should have 24 pieces by this stage). Return to the village shop and buy the hammer and the white spirit.

Go to the swampling's house, move the crate, open the trapdoor and enter. Use the hammer on the loose plank, walk east and pick up the frogsbane from Skull Island.

Return to the dragon cave, go northeast, then east until you come across a tree with a pink splodge on it. Look at the splodge and the tree will talk to you. Use the white spirit on the splodge, and leaf-boy will tell you some magic words.

Return to the village and give the dodgy geezer the gem. Then return to the bar. When you meet the wizards, give them the staff and money, in return for a wizard's starter pack.

Go to the witch's house and enter. Try to take the broom and she will appear and challenge you to a wizard's duel. You can't have one until you have the spellbook. Go past the dragon's cave to the location of the climbing pins, and use them in the hole.



Once at the castle, open the box you are in and look at the boxes to find the spellbook. Look at the spellbook to find a piece of paper and use the paper with the door. Pick up the rat bone and use it on the lock, then pick up the paper with the key and use it to get out.

Pick up the bucket and go downstairs, then pick up the flaming brand and mints. Talk to the druid, then remove the

ring and talk to him again. When he asks you about the escape plan, ask him if he has any bright ideas. Then use the bucket on his head and the flaming brand on him, whereupon he will turn into a frog.

Hide in the iron maiden, then open it, take the hacksaw from the frog, and use it on the bars. Return to the house from which you got the cold remedy. Once inside,

the druid will give you a potion in return for the frogsbane. Now return to the witch's house and have the bee-atch a duel. Use any of the magic words (apart from abracad. . . etc) to defeat her, and if you are not successful, try again. Once defeated, the witch will transform into a

through the hole.

Now go to the snowman, and eat the mints to melt him [Because oooooh that'd work. No, it would]. Continue east to the tower of doom. The bridge will collapse when you reach it, so use the broom to get across. Consume the potion to get through a crack in the door. Take some hair off the dog, who will deposit you at the far door. Look at the bucket and pick up the matchstick, leaf and stone. Exit west then pick up the lily leaf. Use the match with the lily, then the lily with the match. Sail to the seeds, then pick them up. Use the seeds with the stone to make some oil.

Sail to the shore, use the oil on the tap, use the hair on the tap. Sail to the centre of the puddle. When you get to the other side, look in the water and pick up the tadpole. Tell the frog to Move! or the tadpole gets it. Now pick up and consume the mushroom and you will return to normal size.

Pick up the branch, open the door and enter. Now use the branch on the chest. Pick up the spear and shield, go down the stairs and pick up the chest. Move the lever and place the chest on the block. Move the lever twice and pick up the candles. Use the spear with the skull and pick up the skull. Go upstairs twice



When you try to climb up, the snowman will not let you past. Go to the crossroads, then north-east and climb down the vines and talk to Gollum, who will take the swamp stew. Fish around until you find an invisibility ring, then return to the village and open the box.



and pick up the sock, pouch, book and magic wand. Use the sock with the pouch, then the pouch with the mousehole. Look at the mirror then look at the book.

Go upstairs again and pick up the chemicals and the book. Look at the book and talk to the demons until they agree to tell you how to work the transporter for sending you back. Use the chemicals with the shield and the shield with the book. Go downstairs, talk to the mirror and get him to show you upstairs.

Go upstairs and talk to the demons. They will give you some chalk to draw the magic square and tell you how to work the teleporter. Walk to the teleporter and tell it you want to go to the fiery pits of Randor. When there, pick up the sapling and pebble, and talk to the attendant. He will give you a brochure. Look at the brochure and you'll find an elastic band which you must use with the sapling to make a catapult. Use the catapult on the bell, then pick the matches up off the counter and exit east.

Pick up the floor wax and exit east. Use the wand on Sordid, then use the matches on the pits and throw the wand into the lava. Sordid will come back to life and eventually send you to the bottom of the pit. Climb from the pit, go back to the room, and finally. . . use the floorwax on Sordid. That's it. The end. And if it's as much fun to play as it was to type in then you have purchased a very poor game indeed.









# Giving The Gam

**Small Tips has been in bed** with the flu just recently, but returns this month in a state of semi-revitalisation . . .



"I thought you might be interested in a cheat I found for your coverdisk game," writes Gainsborough's very own Unnamed One. We're not mate, but the readers probably are, so here the bugger is:

Press the left mouse button on the menu screen for the message 'Cheat mode now activated', and when each level loads, press the help key quickly and continuously. You will now be able to go through each level easily and still have 100% energy left. Ooh, treat.

From Damien Tokins of Hailsham . .

I would firstly like to thank you for continuing to support- [Get on with it mate]. I have an even better cheat which does work [Ours works! Probably. Not that we tested it of course], and which allows you to score every time the ball is on target.

All you have to do is take a long shot like normal, except don't release the fire button. Hold it down and press 'R'. When the replay has finished, continue holding down the fire button. If the shot is on target, the keeper won't make an effort to save it. This really honestly works, so try it out and tell all your wonderful readers! No idea at all what you're saying there Damien, but thanks. PS. Long live the Amiga! Indeed



Wizkid – an earlier game from the Sensible stable. But not SWOS. No



Shadow Fighter – Bugger all to do with anything here

# AA full game

You can cheat and boost your nudges, cashpot etc by playing 'Point It'. Whenever the screen/level begins, simply press the left mouse button. You can cheat like this all the way up to level 14, but from then on it doesn't work. Until next time, keep your powder dry. Les Pacey, Elgin, Morayshire. Happy Xmas

Cheers Les. Er, backlog mate, you know how it is.

I've sent all the level codes for Zeewolf 2. Do I get a free game or something? Zoe Warren, Atherton

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- 5 ouragan
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- 11 kraken 14 - station
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- 26 behave
- 28 shadow
- 29 maxfoel
- 30 pelpay 31 domino

You would if you were telling the truth Zoe, but they're not all here. You do, however, get to kiss us on the mouth. With tongues.

Level codes from Shabbir Ishaki of Bushey, thus:

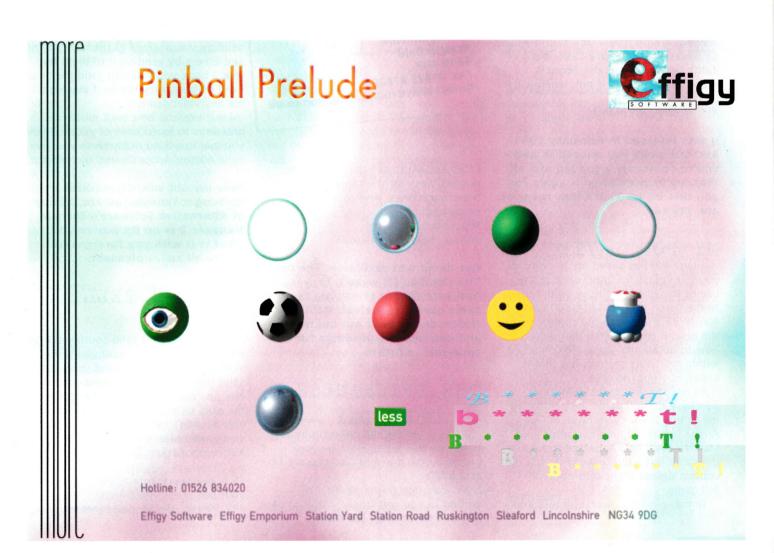
- 2. Underground mine 6581
- 3. Tinhead factory 3178
- 4. Destiny's Castle 8392



Er, we have absolutely no idea what this is. Any clues, readers?



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# Write up your alley!

ith a postbag emptier than John Wayne Bobbit's underpants, Write Up Your Alley this month takes a long handled spade, leans way down and scrapes away like mad at the bottom of the barrel

# IN ISSUE 14 YOU

# DID A

... work in progress on a game called Legends from Krisalis. You said it would be released in February 1995, but I didn't hear anything else about it. Was it released, and if not, when will it be released? Rik, Weldon, Northants

It was released in February 1995 Rik, but since you missed it, and you're obviously a top lad and all that, we've previewed it again for you this issue. That's how ream we are, my son.

# MY SON DAVID

... (age 10) has asked me to write to you to express his annoyance at the use of the word 'exclusive' with regard to the demo disk Hillsea Lido in AA March '96. Further to the comments on the disk, it is suggested that details on how to obtain the game are contained within the News section, but that is apparently not the case.

As my son was quite keen to purchase the full game, he persuaded me to buy the January issue of One Amiga (which he only saw after your March issue). This appeared to feature the same 'exclusive' coverdisk, but did contain details on how to obtain the full game.

To make matters worse, it was a bit

# WRITE UP YOUR ALLEY:

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of a let-down to see that two of the reviews were for the same games in these magazines. Any comments would be welcome.

Yours sincerely.

Yours sincerely, Wayne Phillips, Pontypridd

Our demo was exclusive. The one The One had [?] wasn't. Er, yes. And sorry about reviewing the same games as a rival. We'll endeavour to seek out unknown and untouchable products for appraisal in future.

# THE BRIGHTNESS

# OF THIS DAY

... has given me the opportunity to write you this letter. How are you? I hope by the grace of God you are fit as a fiddle.

Sir, although this is my first of writing to you will kindly read it not fax [Er, or something. We think].

Sir, I like playing videogames because it makes you think very fast and also opens your brain to learn hard [Stroke renders you cabbage-like]. One of my friends told me you have been sending videogames to them by paying and others by sending it to them for free. I hope you will also send me one. I will be very, very happy if you send me any videogame.

I want to end here with much greetings to loved ones of yours. Thank you and may God richly bless you. Felix Allotey, Accra-Ghana, West Africa

Felix my old son, disgraceful scrounger though you are, a copy of Alternative Software's Tactical Manager 2 is on its way to you. What is it with you foreigners? You're all so. . . pleasant.

# CAN YOU TELL

# ME IF

. . . you really sent John Southwell from Kent all the stuff you said you were sending in issue 81. Or did you actually send him something in good condition and just pretended about the rest for the sake of a laugh? My dad reckons you wouldn't send something like that, so can you please clear it up for us? Kimberley Barker, Birkenhead

PS. If that's a picture of you, Paul, I like your hat!
PPS. Please, please, please review

Championship Manager 2 before my dad goes mad.

There's a story behind that Kimberley, and since John vowed never to buy the mag again, and therefore he (and his dad) won't be reading, I can tell it to you.

Shortly after receiving his charming and ungrammatical letter, Steve and I hatched a plan. We included the letter in WUYA, but sent a letter to his address long before the magazine was printed. Basically, it said that we were very sorry for using his cheat, and for any inconvenience caused, and that we would indeed be forwarding him goods to the value of £35 post haste.

We then proceeded to deface Virtual Reality Bird as described in issue 81, and everyone joined in, with Jay from GamePro smearing it with pastie grease and brown sauce, and Steve adding some pie jelly to the mixture.

With the box truly crushed, the whole messy lot was duly despatched to Master Southwell. And then his dad rang up.

His son was very upset. He'd received a letter explaining that a

spanking software package was on its way, and days later received a package that was damaged beyond repair.

"It smells of sauce," said his dad, "and the box looks as though it's been repeatedly stamped on. Is it some kind of joke?".

"Er. . . oh, yes!" lied I, and went on - through numerous harumphs and tuts down the phoneline from Kent - to explain how we'd be sending the 'real' prize soon.

Appeased, Pop Southwell relayed the news to his sobbing offspring, and in order to avoid further phone calls, managerial intervention and, inevitably, the sack, Super Skidmarks and a random budget title were despatched to Kent within a matter of minutes.

So there you go readers. To get something decent out of Amiga Action, simply write a childishly pompous letter, then show yourself up as the soft get you obviously are by getting your dad to ring up for you. It worked for John, and it can work for you too! PS. It is. Thank you.

PPS. We can't. They keep faffing about with it.

# BACK ISSUES

Selected AA back issues from June '94 (issue 67) are available, and can be obtained by sending a cheque or postal order for £4.45 (includes postage and packaging) made payable to IDG Media at: IDG Media, Media House, Adlington Park, Macclesfield, SK10 4NP. Remember to include your name and address, then sit back and wait for your treat to arrive. . .



# Reader Reviews Reviews

# ALADDIN

Reviewed by James Markenham, Luton Released by Virgin to rake in money on the back of the film, it did just that! Fortunately for everyone, Aladdin is worth every penny that everyone shelled out for it. You've got a massive main sprite who moves around quickly and is super-easy to control, and the kind of levels which make playing platform games a dream come true. Still the best platform game for the Amiga.

Summary: If you're going to cash in, at least make your game good. Virgin did. 92%

# LETHAL WEAPON

Ocean/Hit Squad

Reviewed by James Markenham, Luton An old game released way back in the days when Ocean brought out at least one Amiga game a month. Lethal Weapon is only loosely based on the film. You choose between the Mel Gibson character [Riggs, readers] and the Danny Glover one [Murtaugh, readers], and basically, it's kind of a cross between a platformer and a

shoot'em-up. If you'd asked me what I thought of this three years ago, I would have said, "Not much," but now. . . well, the graphics are okay for an old game, but the more you play it, the more you want to. It's tricky, but not too hard, and there's enough variation to keep you curious as to what's coming next.

Summary: A rediscovered gem. 85%

# FIFA

INTERNATIONAL

SOCCER

EA Reviewed by Becka Flowers, Sheffield It is so easy to see why this game was so popular on the Mega Drive. It looks brilliant and plays just as well. No league teams are available, and you have to compete as a country. All of your tactics can be altered - even how far up the pitch your players wander and all teams play as you would expect (Scotland are rubbish, Germany are ace). The slanted angle takes a bit of getting used to, but once you know what you're doing, this game takes a beating.

[Er, 'some beating'. . . ?] Summary: Better than England any day of the week. 85%

# TRIVIAL PURSUIT

We can't remember

Reviewed by [The ubiquitous] James Markenham

You might think that simply taking a board game and making it into a computer game is a very bad idea, but actually it isn't. Setting up a game on the CD32 is much quicker than setting one up for real (although I've never played the board version of this), and once it's ready, all you have to do is press a few buttons. It's a very absorbing game to play and will literally last you for years if you let it.

The programmers can only take so much credit though, because it wasn't their idea after all. However, this conversion is very well done, and the addition of the talking bird to ask you the questions is an amusing distraction which gives the CD32 a bit of a workout.

Summary: A board game, but certainly not a boring game. (Sorry!) 80%

The Son of Boggit's seemingly endless quest is drawing to a close. Will the Woonsocket Diamonds finally be his, or is this just another false dawn in an ill conceived and badly thought out adventure?

he story so far Following the imprisonment of his father for antics of a carnal nature with the daughter of fantasy land big cheese, Sir Cyrille Grimola, the Son of Boggit found himself on the trail of the Woonsocket Diamonds. These precious stones were stolen from Sir Cyrille by the evil Lord Albert Rankpants of Grundertrolley, and law decrees that whoever returns them will be granted a wish of their choice. Desperate to secure the release of his father, SOB has managed to recover the diamonds, but has since had them pinched during an overnight stay at the Broken Bottle Inn on the outskirts of Grundertrolley. As if this wasn't bad enough, our hero is on the run for a crime he did not commit after discovering the murdered body of Big Lil, the barmaid from the Broken Bottle. Fortunately, the real murderer and the diamonds themselves are very close at hand. . .

Right, the bloke with the diamonds has stopped for a breather, and I reckon it's about time I actually made an effort to get them back. They say that heroes are made rather than born (or is that the wrong way round? Whatever. . .) so I'd better get my act together.

Okay then, here goes. He's leaning against a gatepost in the road up ahead, and he looks proper knackered to me. If I time my run just right, I'll be able to catch him off guard and get

the diamonds back before he knows what's hit him. Hang on, where's he off to now? There's a big barn looming in the darkness of a field on the other side of the gatepost, and he looks like he's heading for it. Oh great. How am I supposed to get the stuff off him if the daft get won't stand still for five minutes? He's in the barn now, and I'm off after him.

I am here to serve. . .

## Dreamweb

Please can you grant me the power of your all-seeing presence, or something like that? I am stuck on that game for many a serial killer, Dreamweb.

I have killed the rock star David Crane, gone into the Dreamweb, found the crystal, and gone to Channel 6 studios to kill the general. But, all I have come across is a broken fuse, a normal door that I can't yet open, a lift door that needs a security pass, and a studio door with flashing lights that also can't be opened. I have tried everything I can think of, but I still can't find anything that resembles a fuse. What the hell do I do?

Edward Spawn, Newport

First of all Edward, see if you can get your surname changed by deed poll or something. It makes you sound like some sort of evil Dr Who character. Right, Dreamweb then. You should be able to find the security

pass underneath the brochure in the TV studio. From here, walk left and down into the storeroom, then examine the fusebox. Use the screwdriver with the fusebox, and take the fuse which you have prised loose. Be warned! The fuse is very small, and you will have to look for it carefully (you will find it on top of the fusebox). Now look for a ladder. . .

## **Simon the Sorcerer**

I'm writing to you because I have a problem. A serious problem. I've got Simon the Sorcerer and I've been at it for ages. I've now got to a point where I can get no further. I've got the staff and handed it to the wizards, but I need some gold to become a wizard. I can't get the white spirit or get a key for the dwarven safe in the mine. Please help me before I break down.

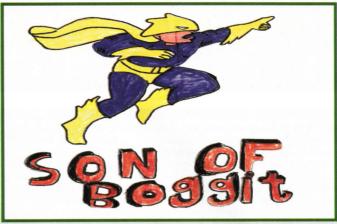
Danny Bradley, Huddersfield



SIMON THE SORCERER: Nice green house, mate



**DREAMWEB: Ryan's fashion inventory includes** a pair of scruffy, sweaty trainers



Lee Devine of Reading is responsible for this disgraceful effort. But respect to the lad for trying. Come on, let's see some more!

Once you're in the mines, put on the beard. Then say, 'Beer,' when you're asked for a password. Give the barrel to the dwarf who is holding the spear, and follow him until you come across a sleeping dwarf. This one's got the key you need, and you can get it off him by tickling him with the feather. To get the white spirit, you will first need some gold pieces.

Get a gem from the mine first, then sell it to the dodgy dude for 20 pieces of gold. (I won't spoil it for you by telling you where and how to get the gem.) Now go to the shopkeeper, and with your newfound wealth you will be able to purchase the white spirit, and a hammer too!

# **Monkey Island**

I cannot get the banana picker out of the cannibals' hut. Please help me so I can continue with this brilliant game. Daniel Sibley, Windsor

Happy to oblige Daniel. Once in the guest house, take the skull. Then prise open the loose board and take the banana picker. Now go through the hole. You'll notice that you no longer have the banana picker, so go back to the boat and row to the banana tree beach. Then go into the jungle and give all your bananas to the monkey. Look at him, then head for the clearing.

Go east to the fence and pull the nose on the left totem pole, before backing away. Go over to the fence opening and head east. Next take the pathetic looking idol and row back to the cannibals. Tell them you'll give them anything they want, then hand over the idol. Enter the guest hut again, and the banana picker is yours for the taking. Try to leave and Toothrot will appear. Give him the banana picker and he will give you a monkey head in return.

## Police Quest I

I have got to the point in the game where I am doing undercover work at the Delphoria Hotel. Woody the bartender told Sonny to ditch Sweet Cheeks Marie before he would let him join the game of poker in the back room. I would like to know how to ditch Sweet Cheeks Marie, as I fancy a hand or two of cards. I have drawn a complete blank and would be grateful for your help. Paul Chandler, Ryde, IOW



IONKEY ISLAND: That's the only bird Guybrush'll ever have if he continues to dress like that

Pay the bartender for the drinks and go to the elevator in the lobby. Push for floor two, then get in and go to your room (it's No 204 and it's on the right as you get out of the lift). Unlock the door, go in, and say, 'Yes,' twice. Then go over to the night-stand at the rear of the room, dial Lt Morgan's number (555-6674) and say, 'Sonny Bonds'.



adly drawn sports car of his own

Next dial 411 to find the Lytton Cab Co's number. Dial a cab on 555-9222 and say, 'Hotel Delphoria'. Sweet Cheeks will now be on her way, and you will be free to join the poker game and partake in some serious gambling.

# Leisure Suit Larry

How do I get past the bouncer in the disco? I have already been to the bar and the casino.

James Wallace, Glasgow

When you were in the casino, you should have seen an ashtray at the top of the screen where the gaming tables were. If you hadn't been so intent on trying to win all that money, you would probably have noticed

that there was a card in the ashtray. If you show this to the bouncer at the disco, he will back down and let you in.

That's enough fantasy adventuring for one day, now it's time for the real thing. I'm outside the barn door, and at the count of three I'm going to barge in. I don't care if this man is dangerous or not, I can't be bothered waiting around any longer. Those diamonds will be mine! One...two...three... CHHHHAAAAAAAARRRRRRRRRRGGGGEEEE!!!! Oh dear. I wasn't expecting this.

Er, until next time, hmm, farewell. What on earth has the Son of Boggit discovered inside the barn? What could possibly have caused his sudden outburst of bravery to come

to such an abrupt halt? The words 'on' and 'tenterhooks' have surely never seemed less appropriate. Oh well.

r queries (and tips if you like) to: ington Park, cclesfield, SK10 4NP

Send us your drawings of the Son of Boggit you lazy monkeys!!!!! If it wasn't for the valiant effort made by Ian Devine (see above) we wouldn't have had a single 'do' so far. So, if you get off your fat backsides and do a little sketch of what you think he looks like (it doesn't even have to be any good!) it's bound to get published. Just think, you could have a drawing of your very own published in a national magazine!!! Even Van Gogh didn't manage that during his lifetime! COME ON!!!!!!!!!!!!!

# Shop

When selling stuff through Swap Shop (and it doesn't have to be games – washing machines, cars, stolen cigarettes. . . anything goes) you can of course ask for whatever cash you like. Your chances of a response are better, however, if you keep your expectations realistic. This is the Amiga Action rough pricing guide, using 'example bundles' and assuming that everything is in good condition and machines come with a mouse/joystick.
Buyers – if the prices of the ads tally with these examples then you aren't getting ripped off. Probably.

A500 1 meg - £80 CD32 - £80 A500+/600 - £100 A1200 - £150 CD32 with 25 games - £180 A600, external drive with 50 games - £200 A1200, 40mb hard drive, external drive & 50 games - £300 5,000 Benson & Hedges low tar Superkings in slightly damaged boxes with no questions asked – £250

Amiga games for less than £10 each [Yes, in most shops ...], no pirates [That's Geena Davis out then], fully boxed: Dreamweb, EOB II, Bloodnet, Valhalla, Darkseed plus many more. Call 0181 297 2587 anytime!

A600, still boxed, perfect condition, loads of games, joystick, dust cover, mouse etc, £200. Also I have a Mega Drive, loads of games, 6 button joypad and 3 button joypad, still boxed, £200. Nicky Holding, 54 Grosvenor Road, Widnes, Cheshire.

Amiga games for less than £10 each, no pirates, fully- oh hang on, we've just done that. Good start! Oooooooh - we love the Swap Shop here . . . A600, 2 meg inc many boxed games: Zool, Striker, Nippon Safes etc., excellent condition, joystick, mouse, foot pedal, mags. Mathew [That's how it's spelt!] Bowers, 01274 816728. Wanted for Amiga badly: Three Stooges and Grand National. Pay top price. I also buy and sell games for- [Well you sound like a dealer to us mate . . .] Steve-Vox [Again, that's how it's written], 48 Dawlish Road, Reading, Berks, RG2 7SF. **Excellent printed Amiga cheats,** lots of good games covered. Send £3 cheque made payable to Nicola Gibbs, at 63 Pollard Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 7EG.

Commodore 64 with accessories for sale £30. Wayne Hopkins [Nicky's boyfriend, same address as above]. Wanted: Sonix music program, also any broken Amigas for projects. Will pay. B. Humble, 01924 49327.

For sale: SX-1 module keyboard and Goliath power supply, cost £290 – offers around £225

mark. L.Peacock, 0115 9790441. Wanted: external hard drive for Amiga 500+ (around 100-17- meg). Ring 0151 480 3875 and ask for Graeme.

Wanted very urgently: Rocket Ranger by Cinemaware, and Head Over Heels (Ocean). Must be original in decent condition. Willing to pay £15 for both or £7 each. Mick Davies, 4 Wyndham Street, Glynfach, Porth, Rhondda Valleys, Mid Glamorgan. S Wales. 01443 682747.

Amiga 1200 & PD contacts wanted, also cheap hand scanner, colour or B&W. Andrew Roberts, 204 Anchor Road, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, ST3 5EF.

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John Sharrock, 55a Hainault Road, Leytonstone, London E11

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Penpals wanted to swap or sell games, also gossip and tips. Must be 10 or over. Ross Swan, 3 Boyd Place, Lochgelly, Fife, Scotland KY5 9PH. Age 12. Swap new PC games for your A1200. Huge choice of titles. Write to Mark, 12 Branscombe Road, Stoke Bishop, Bristol. A1200 owners! Spanking new internal hard drive (180 meg). will sell for £70 [Sounds nicked to us]. Phone Al on 01233 770520.

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For sale [Ooooh Lordy - loads of stuff] Call Ben Wigglesworth on 01302 886593.

Wanted: Flight of the Amazon Queen, Simon the Sorcerer for A600. Ring Monkeyboy

Freeman on 714978. He lives in Beccles, so if you can work out the code then so much the better.

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Free PD program for all Amigas. Send SAE to Gary Read, 83 Dalriada Crescent, Forgewood, Motherwell, MLÍ 3XT.

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A500 games to swap including CM Italia '95, Theme Park [illegible scrawl, blah-de-blah . . .] Call Alex Scribblehands on 0181 868 5566 and tell him to sort his handwriting out. A570 CD drive for A500+ for sale, including Hutchinson's **Encyclopedia and CDPD. Phone** Steven on 0181 504 6313. A500+ for sale plus over 100 mags, demo games, DPaint III. joystick etc, just £125 ono, collections only. Call Dumbi on 0181 297 2587.

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# racy Shop



Settlers, must be boxed. Ricky Bell, 94 Corby Road, Weldon, Nr. Corby, Northants, NN17 3HX, 01536 266453.

Wanted: Super SFII Turbo for Amiga 1200 (must be TURBO). Will pay £20-25, must be able to deliver. Also I would like to swap games for other bits and music samples . . . well anything, but SSFII Turbo is important - help! Daniel W. 01352 771235.

Wanted: original working copy of Red Storm Rising [what the hell is that?]. Will pay fair price. Contact Chris, 59 Pine Close, Castleford, West Yorks, WF10 4NP.

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Good-looking male aged 20 wants female penpals of any age, who're into funky music and having fun!!! 100% reply. John Comas, 9 Porlock House, Sydenham Hill Estate, Sydenham, London SE26 6AH. Contacts wanted to swap PD disks. Reliable and fast trader. No pirates please. Andy Coleman, 5 Leighton Close, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 9UX.

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# THE CHAOS ENGINE 2

Time Warner Released 3rd Quarter

or a product which was originally released in 1992, The Chaos Engine has stood the test of time better than almost any other videogame. This top-selling Amiga title became an instant classic and later enjoyed huge success on the Mega Drive, SNES and PC. Since then, imitators have tried and failed - to top it, the most recent attempt being last month's Watchtower. Let's face it, it was only ever

Brothers, and it was only a matter of time before they had a 'do'.
Oddly, one of the first decisions they made involved stripping the original six characters

going to be

bettered by monsta-

developers The Bitmap

down to a
measly looking
four. Game designer
Simon Knight explains
"After a few times playing

(The Chaos Engine), everyone will have a favourite character who they stick with and use throughout the game. We decided to take out the two 'weakest'

'weakest'
characters, and
concentrate on other areas of
the game where the memory
we save will come in useful."
Or something. Those might
not be his exact words, but,
you know. . .

Right from the off, The Bitmap Brothers knew what they wanted to do with a Chaos Engine sequel –

purchasers of the original game who clamoured for a more competitive two-player mode had made it clear which direction they should take.

Consequently, The

Chaos Engine 2 will, at its core, be a split-screen player-versus-player game, much along the same

lines as the original.
Which is not to say
that there isn't a
perfectly good
single-player option,
because of course
there is.

This time the action takes place inside the Chaos Engine itself, with escape being the ultimate goal. The levels, though familiar in presentation, have been overhauled, and the graphics completely

redrawn with far more attention to detail, especially in the AGA version (Yes, The Chaos Engine 2 will also be available for the jurassic A5/600, probably at the same time). End-of-level bosses have been introduced for added challenge, and the

computer intelligence in oneplayer mode is such that you'll be hard pressed to 'win', or reach the end of the level first.

TCE2 is currently in the latter stages of development. Some of the graphics need touching up, then the Warner playtesting machine will go into action. Look out for it towards the end of the summer. It is coming out.

Really.



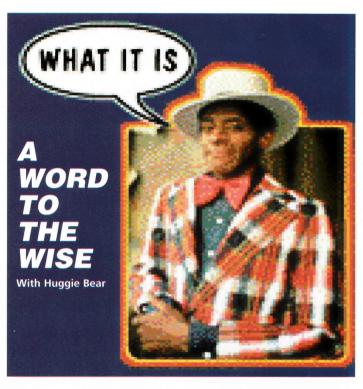














# STREET FIGHTING ON

To complement the numerous videogames and comic series, Manga is set to release none other than the Street Fighter II Animated Movie book.

Charting the progress of the characters as they hammer and spoon their way through the movie (in - crazily animated form), the book looks every bit as good as the comics. It's yours to buy from April, and will set you back £9.99.

Because we're ream, we have a total of 10 copies to give away to the first five-sixths-of-a-dozen people who can

tell us who Sylvester Stallone 'street fought' with in Rocky V. Have your answers with us by the end of April.



# IT'S SOOOOOO CLOSE



# RE-ENTER SANDMAN

As a magazine whose staff pride themselves on their stalwart northern suspicion of all things vaguely pseudochildlike-but-actually-aimed-at-adults, we have carefully maintained a safe distance from the Sandman series. The Sandman: The Kindly Ones is written by Neil Gaiman, recipient of countless awards for his scary animated fiction, and also Terry Pratchett's co-author on the best selling Good Omens. The Sandman, though, remains his bread and butter, and from here on out, Amiga



Action will be partaking in a slice or two.

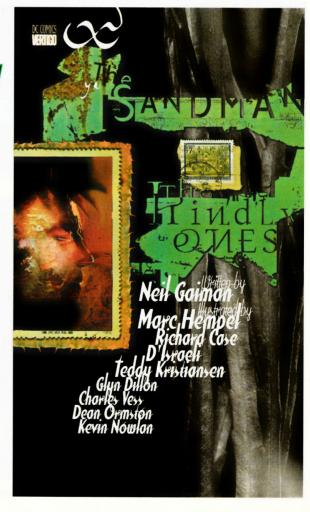
Set in a variety of places between the 'normal' world and... somewhere else, this particular compilation brings together the lives of average citizens, heinously foul demons and averagely foul, non-demonic non-humans in a tale of – frankly – death and doom.

A cross-section of well known reviewers, ranging from The Glasgow Herald to GQ and Stephen King, have heaped praise upon The Sandman, thereby suggesting it is something

special. And we can confirm this.

A brilliant script, and frame after frame of minutely detailed, atmospheric drawings over a couple of hundred pages, comprise a compelling and complicated story in a high quality hard cover book.

It's available from April 18 courtesy of Titan Books, and will set you back a monsta 25 quid. We compel you to buy it. We would have bought it ourselves, if our copy hadn't been free.



# **CHAMPIONSHIP** MANAGER 2

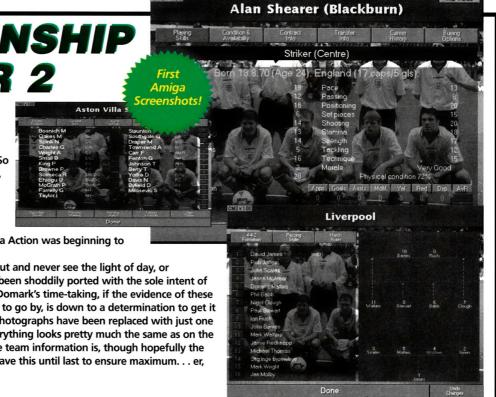
# Out soon

Domark's Championship Manager 2 has slipped back again. The latest release date being bandied about is 'sometime in April'. So that probably means October then. Anyway, the good news is that now - FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER IN A TERRESTRIAL MAGAZINE! we can bring you screenshots of the Amiga version. They're a pleasant surprise too.

After such a - if you will - 'palaver', Amiga Action was beginning to expect that:

a: The whole damn thing would just peter out and never see the light of day, or b: It would look absolutely hideous, having been shoddily ported with the sole intent of cashing in on the massive demand. But no. Domark's time-taking, if the evidence of these tremendous-looking screenshots is anything to go by, is down to a determination to get it absolutely right. As expected, the stadium photographs have been replaced with just one or two team pics, but presentation-wise everything looks pretty much the same as on the PC. It remains to be seen how up-to-date the team information is, though hopefully the programmers will have the good sense to leave this until last to ensure maximum...er, up-to-dateness. Right, that's it.

There's nothing more to say here.



# CHARTS

Mindscape
MicroProse
MicroProse
Team 17
Team 17
Someone or other
Can't Remember
Thalion/Kwok
himself
Was it Virgin?
Monkeysoft

# WORLD OF AMIGA SHOW REPORT

... will not appear here, because we're probably not going to bother going now. We might though, it just depends.

# CD32 RELEASE SHOCKER

Friend of the Amiga, Alternative Software, is set to release Final Gate on the - ohhell-yes-indeed-siree-Bob-nojoke-seriously-we-kid-you-not - CD32.

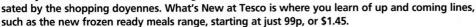
We have a copy in at the moment. In fact, It is here as this item is being written! Alternative sent it to us for evaluation, but the problem is, our CD32 doesn't work. There's a bit missing off the back, you see. It's been like that since James from Mindscape came in with Mega Race about 18 months ago, and no-one can remember the last time the damn thing was up and running.

It's a problem for sure, and we're hoping that if we leave it long enough it will somehow fix itself. If that happens, then we'll maybe load it up and tell you what kind of game it is.

Until then, then. . .

Hello, Boss Hogg from out of Dukes of Hazzard here. Welcome to my fantastic World of the Internet, where each month, for one month only, I'll be telling you about the hot new sites on the Web.

First up is Tesco Online (http://www.Tesco.ac.uk) - one of the first cybersupermarkets, and a fine site it is too. Well presented with neat links and a genuine wealth of information for the shopping public. My favourite bit is the FAQ section (that's Frequently Asked Questions), where your demand for Tesco knowledge is



Davidolyma o

The Gonzo Wonder Sponge home page (http://chili.rt66.com) is where you can order that most special of products that was, and I quote, "Used by the thousands to clean the offices and equipment after the World Trade Center bombing". Unfortunately, no pictures of the sponge itself are available on this limited site, but you can order this product which is, "wonderful for cleaning soft shades and mini-blinds," by leaving your credit card details and address. Er, if you



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